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For: HEPATITIS VIRUS CORE PROTEINS AS
VACCINE PLATFORMS AND METHODS OF
USE THEREOF

Examiner: Z. Lucas

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

MS Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed August 21, 2008, in which a response is due on September 22, 2008. Applicants hereby elect Group I (Claims 170-172, 174-178 and 188-197) for prosecution, and rodent hepadnavirus and ground squirrel hepadnavirus as species for initial examination purposes.

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